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Corrections to Main Street traffic-light timing ongoing

THE COLONY, Texas — As <u>announced earlier this month</u>, the Texas Department of Transportation will be opening all lanes of Main Street/FM 423 to traffic on Monday, July 31. We wish to remind motorists that final configuration of the traffic lights, including the new signal at Lake Highlands Drive, is an ongoing process that will continue beyond Monday and into next month. Motorists should expect delays in the meantime, especially during peak hours.

The city has received welcome feedback from residents regarding the ongoing configuration.

"It's a complicated process that involves traffic patterns at seven different intersections so the more information we have, the better," said Brant Shallenburger, Director of Government Relations. "It involves not only the timings of the lights but also proper calibration of the newly installed sensors, some of which are still going online. The equipment utilized by emergency service vehicles to change the traffic lights during an emergency also plays a part and requires fine-tuning.

"But the bottom line is we know there are issues and we are actively working to correct them. We ask for your continued patience during this process."

Shallenburger also noted that the start of the school year on Monday, Aug. 28, will require engineers to again reconfigure the lights accordingly.

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